

April 1, 2015

Co-Chairperson Representative William Tong Co-Chairperson Senator Eric Coleman Judiciary Committee Connecticut General Assembly State Capitol Hartford, CT 06106

Re: HB 7051 AN ACT CONCERNING THE INVESTIGATION OF FRAUD AND CORRUPTION and HB 7052 AN ACT CONCERNING RESTRICTIONS ON PERSONS RUNNING FOR PUBLIC OFFICE WHO HAVE VIOLATED THE PUBLIC TRUST

Chairmen Coleman and Tong and Members of the Judiciary Committee:

My name is Daniel Donovan and I am the Co-Founder of NuPower Thermal based in Easton, CT with offices in Bridgeport, CT. We focus on renewable power project development and are currently developing the Bridgeport Thermal Energy District Project. I am here in support of HB 7051 and HB 7052.

We are very proud of being a Connecticut company having completed a sizable biomass power facility that supplies 37.5 MW of renewable electricity to Connecticut electrical users. We are currently developing another renewable project in Bridgeport, CT that will take low temperature waste heat from existing power plants and channel that heat into space heating and domestic hot water for Bridgeport customers. This technology is standard practice internationally and eliminates large amounts of heat and CO2 from being exhausted into the atmosphere.

We are acutely aware of what past acts of public corruption can do many years after the fact. We have on one occasion been told outright by a large potential joint venture partner that they refuse to do business



in Bridgeport based on the bad experience they had years ago with public corruption for municipal services.

We are all very aware and extremely impressed by the improvements that the City of Bridgeport has made in this area over the number of years that corrupt public officials have been removed and punished. Mayor Finch and his team are both creative and responsible and are leading the country in their renewable and sustainable efforts.

However, it is sometimes difficult to convey these improvements to a larger business community as demonstrated by our example. We need to have rules that prevent the legacy of corrupt officials and their actions continuing to impact the City of Bridgeport and the State of Connecticut as a whole. This is why I support HB 7051 and 7052

Most respectfully,

Daniel Donovan Manager NuPower Thermal LLC